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Inspection Report

Minerals Regulatory Program

May 16, 2009

Reviewed: 

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| Mine Name: Tintic Operations | Permit Number: M/049/0062 |
| Operator Name: Chief Consolidated Mining Company | Inspection Date: June 15, 2009 |
| Inspector(s): Lynn Kunzler, Emily Berry, DOGM | Time: 2:00 pm |
| Other Participants: None (checked in w/security guard) | Mine Status: Inactive |

| Elements of Inspection | Evaluated | Comment | Enforcement |
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| 1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Deleterious Material | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Reclamation | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Soils | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Revegetation | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Purpose of Inspection:

Routine inspection while in the area.

Inspection Summary:

This permit is a consolidation of the Apex/Bergin (M/049/0009) and the Trixie Shaft (M/049/0024). The operator has provided two clean copies of the consolidated permit, the Division is awaiting the company to update the surety documents to have the several sureties all under Chief's name. The amount of the current bonds are slightly more than what the bond calculation shows as needed for the operations.

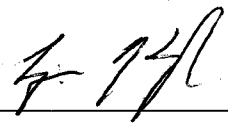
There has been no apparent activity at the several sites since the last inspection. Access to most of the area is behind signed and locked gates. The company has hired a security guard as well to keep unauthorized people off the site.

Areas appear stable with no erosional problems noted. There is still some old scrap iron and equipment in some areas (much of which has been consolidated into a few locations).

No photos were taken during this inspection.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

The operator needs to be more diligent in consolidating the several sureties into one surety in their name. This will allow the Division to issue final approval of the consolidated permit. Continue to monitor the area when in the area..

Inspector's Signature 

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